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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR REPRESENTATION TO THE ROC

1. I MET WITH MINISTER-WITHOUT-PORTFOLIO CHOU SHU-K'AI AT MY REQUEST FRIDAY EVENING APRIL 8 FOR INFORMAL DISCUSSION NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION PROBLEM. I EMPHASIZED URGENT NEED FOR GROC REPLY (CITING IN PARTICULAR IAEA SITUATION) AND THAT PROPOSITIONS WE HAVE PUT FORWARD ARE RESULT OF VERY SERIOUS STUDY AND WE REQUIRE GROC AGREEMENT ON THESE POINTS.

2. CHOU ACCEPTED MY POINTS AND SAID THAT PREMIER UNDERSTANDS URGENCY AND HAS ASKED CHOU TO INFORM ME THAT HE IS GIVING MATTER URGENT ATTENTION AND WILL GIVE US POSITIVE RESPONSE. CHOU COMMENTED ABOUT DIFFICULTIES PREMIER FACES, INCLUDING THOSE WITH OVERSEAS CHINESE SCIENTISTS WHO HAD RETURNED HERE TO MAKE PATRIOTIC CONTRIBUTION AND WILL HAVE TO BE TOLD THEIR WORK WILL ALL BE SCRAPPED. I SAID WE UNDERSTOOD PROBLEM BUT CITED PRESIDENT CARTER'S REFERENCE IN HIS APRIL 7 STATEMENT TO OUR ABANDONING BARNWELL, S.C. PROJECT AND OTHER EFFORTS TO WHICH VAST FUNDS AND MUCH WORK OF U.S. SCIENTISTS HAD BEEN COMMITTED; I ADDED WE HOPED IN MANY CASES NEW, PEACEFUL NUCLEAR ENERGY TASKS COULD BE FOUND TO USE PATRIOTIC ENERGIES OF CHINESE SCIENTISTS AND RECALLED OUR OFFER OF U.S. EXPERTS TO HELP IN THIS EFFORT. CHOU REITERATED PREMIER'S INTENTION TO GIVE US EARLY, POSITIVE RESPONSE.

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3. YESTERDAY I DISTRIBUTED UNDER COVER MY TRANSMITTING LETTER A COPY OF PRESIDENT'S APRIL 7 STATEMENT ON NUCLEAR POWER POLICY, UNDERLINING PERTINENCE TO ROC NUCLEAR PROGRAM (AND THAT OF MANY OTHER NATIONS) AND TO COOPERATION WITH US IN THIS FIELD. DISTRIBUTION WENT TO PREMIER, MINISTERS FONOFF, DEFENSE, EC AFFAIRS, AND ADM. SUNG. A COPY WAS ALSO TRANSMITTED INFORMALLY TO VICTOR

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